

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

This Amendment is only directed to formal matters. Applicant appreciatively notes that claims 1-15 are indicated to contain allowable subject matter subject to dealing with the formalities. Claims 1-15 remain pending in the application.

The abstract of the disclosure has been amended to overcome the objections.

Claims 1, 2, 8, 11 and 12 are objected to for the informalities noted in the Office Action. In response, these claims have been amended and the objections should be withdrawn.

All objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application should be in condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Early issuance of a Notice of Allowance is courteously solicited.

If any issues remain to be resolved, the Examiner is cordially invited to contact the undersigned attorney to resolve the issues.

Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 07-1337 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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